

Figure 1. Distribution of Digitaria bicornis in southeastern United States.

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NAJAS MARINA: NEW TO THE INDIANA FLORA—On a recent plant collecting trip through the Midwest, two collections were made of Najas marina L, the prickly naiad, in northeastern Indiana. After consulting the herbaria at IND and ND (acronyms follow Holmgren & Keuken, 1974), I have determined that this species is new to the Indiana flora. Collecting data for N. marina in Indiana are as follows: Steuben Co., off hwy 120 near I-69 at Green's Lake, ca 7 mi N of Angola, 20 Jul 1979, Davenport 1424; Noble Co., on hwy 3 at W side of Cree Lake, S of South Milford, 20 Jul 1979, Davenport 1427. Voucher specimens for both collections are deposited at UNA.

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In North America, Najas marina is found infrequently in brackish or highly alkaline waters of the western United States, Texas, the Great Lakes states, and Florida (Haynes, 1979). Whether it is a native or a naturalized species is under question. After studying its distributional history, Wentz & Stuckey (1971) concluded that N. marina was introduced into the Ohio region, and fairly recent collections in Michigan (Near & Belcher, 1974), Wisconsin (Ross & Calhoun, 1951), and Illinois (Winterringer, 1966) seem to bear out this conclusion. Its occurrence in Indiana, therefore, is to be expected and indicates the further spread of this species in the Great Lakes region .- L. J. Davenport, Ecology and Systematics Section, Department of Biology, The University of Alabama, University, AL 35486.

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GAURA ODORATA LAG. (ONAGRACEAE) IN LOUISIANA .- Specimens from a small population of Gaura found in Lafayette were identified through the keys of Munz (1965) and Correll and Johnston (1970). Comparison with specimens borrowed from SMU confirms identification as Gaura odorata Lag., which can now be recorded from Louisiana. Lafavette Parish: rhizomatous perennial growing aggressively with Cynodon dactylon on uncemented square around telephone pole in parking lot on N. University Ave. near corner of Louise St., Lafayette, Vincent 2310 (LAF), 18 Jun 1979.

The plants were observed to flower and produce fruit sporadically from March to October 1979 in spite of several mowings. They were vigorously producing new shoots in March 1980 and thus may persist and disperse in the area. Their presence in Lafayette marks a significant eastward range extension for the species, a native of Texas and adjacent Mexico that is rare in east Texas. Previously unreported from Louisiana, G. odorata was not included in the preliminary report on Louisiana Onagraceae by Ellis and UrBatsch (1979).

Duplicates are being sent to AC, GA, NCU, NLU, NO, SMU, and VDB.

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